MR. P. O. THOMAS: Up till now by asking questions and moving resolutions the members were attempting to convince the Government the necessity of appointing from different communities. When a question is asked with that definite purpose in view to ask the members to look into the Civil List to find out the information for themselves with reference to the name, I may state, is even insulting and ignoring the privileges of this House. For example till one year back I was of the impression that Mr. C. Kumara Das, Secretary to Government was a Hindu and only a few months back I came to understand that he is a Christian. Therefore the answer that has been furnished is, in a way a fooling answer.

PRESIDENT: The foolishness of the answer will be rectified by the method that I have suggested. Questions as to the number of people in any particular Department of Government and all that need not hereafter be asked.

Appointments made in the Secretariat.

9 *MR. P. S. MOHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of appointments made in the Secretariat in the scale of Rs. 25 to 35, 35 to 40, 40 to 70 with qualifications of the candidates, during the period of 1118, 1119 and 1120 till the end of Edavom?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI: The time and labour involved in collecting the required information are out of proportion to its possible utility.

Promotions of Clerks in the Secretariat.

10 *MR. P. S. MOHAMED: Will the Government be pleased:

(*a*) to lay on the table a statement of promotions among the clerks in the Secretariat during the period of 1118, 1119 and 1120 till the end of Edavom with the number of Muslims who got such promotions; and

(*b*) to state the period of service of the above clerks who secured promotions?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI: The time and labour involved in collecting the required information are out of proportion to its possible utility.

Village Unions.

11 *MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many village unions are there in the Changanacherry taluk; and which are they;

(*b*) how many village unions are there in the Peermade taluk;

(*c*) is there a village union at Ponkunnam;

(*d*) (i) is there a village union at Kanjirapally;

(ii) what is its name;

(iii) who are the members of that union; and

(iv) what are the pakuthies included within the union at Kanjirapally?

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